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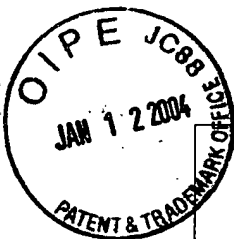
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WHEREAS, we, Robin Callan, Walter A. van Schalkwijk, James J. Cole, and Suhail Ahmad (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having mailing addresses of 3208 106th Avenue Southeast, Bellevue, Washington 98004; 18305 Southeast Newport Way, Issaquah, Washington 98027; 19512 Jordan Road, Arlington, Washington 98223; and 4505 Northeast 86th Street, Seattle, Washington 98115, respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "BUFFERED COMPOSITIONS FOR DIALYSIS," as described and claimed in the specification forming part of a continuation-in-part application for United States letters patent which was filed on June 24, 2003 and assigned Application No. 10/606,150; where this application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/421,622, filed October 19, 1999 (now allowed); which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/105,049, filed October 20, 1998;

WHEREAS, Advanced Renal Technologies (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at 40 Lake Bellevue, Suite 100, Bellevue, Washington 98005, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters

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Robin Callan
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Dated OCTOBER 21, 2003

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Printed Name SHANNON J. WEISS

My appointment expires 11-29-2005

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Date

Walter A. van Schalkwijk
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